

The Old Reliable Fruit House.

S. J. STRALEY & CO.,

16 AND 18 EAST HIGH STREET.

Call and Examine our Prices on the following goods:

OYSTERS.

N.Y. Counts. Baltimore Selects. Saddle Rock Shell. Blue Points. Don't forget the Old Pioneer Brand of Oysters, the best in the country.

FISH.

Fresh Sea Fish. Cod. Flounders. Smelts. Shrimps. Escalops. Mackerel. Haddock. Lobsters. Clams. Herring. Lake Fish. White Fish. Pickled. Bass. Trout. Salmon.

GAME.

Buffalo. Bear. Wild Ducks. Prairie Chickens. Antelope. Wild Turkey. Pheasants. Opossum. Venison. Squirrel. Rabbits. Coon.

POULTRY.

Turkey. Geese. Chickens. Ducks.

FRUIT.

FLORIDA ORANGES A SPECIALTY. Lemons. Figs. Grapes, etc. Bananas. Dates. Apples. Pears.

NUTS.

Almonds. Peanuts. Filberts. Chestnuts. English Walnuts. Brazil. Hickory Nuts.

HONEY.

The best sweet cider in the city. Vegetables. Pickles. Catsups. Sauces. Conserve. Mushrooms. New stock of Olives. Olive Oil and the most complete assortment of Canned Goods in the city. Thurber's Plum Pudding. Hicken's Soups.

Christmas Parties and Festivals Will Receive Our Special Attention.

**MUSIC**

Hath charms for every one. Make no mistake, and go to

R. F. BRANDON & CO.'S

And select a nice instrument for a Christmas present for your daughter. Either a

PIANO or ORGAN

Will make the choicest gift that any one can make their friends, and we would advise you to go at once and select a Piano or

Organ and have it held for you until the holidays. Go to

R. F. BRANDON & CO., 74 ARCADE.**Christmas Presents!**

We can give but a partial list of goods and articles now on sale, bought especially for the Holiday season, embracing a vast variety of Fancy Goods suitable for presents.

Flax Plush Coverd Articles.

Toilet Sets.

Ladies' Hand Satchels.

Portmonies.

Fancy Work Boxes.

Whisk Holders.

Manicure Sets.

Perfume Sets, etc., etc.

The great values of the season. Prices that will guarantee the lowest.

THEO. TROUPE,

CITY DRUG STORE,

Cor. Main and Market Sts.

CREAM

Oil paintings, large size, for \$2.50, at the 99-cent store.

Cutlery of all kinds at the 99-cent store.

Having just received the latest Paris Fashions, I invite all the ladies of the city and country to call and see me before looking elsewhere. Mrs. L. F. Roberts, No. 60 South Spring.

Albums at all prices at the 99-cent store.

Toy Books at the 99-cent store. 614244

A Brace of Accidents.

The little child of Mrs. Cary, living on Jefferson street, while playing on the kitchen table, yesterday afternoon, fell from it with a fork in its hand. The fork dropped under the child and it was severely stuck in the left side. Drs. Patterson and Whelan were called in and bound up the wound.

People who loaf in "glass" houses should not throw dice.

XMAS

Are you prepared? Have you bought your presents for your husband, sister, brother, sweetheart or friend? If not, be sure to call at Ad. Bakhaus & Co.'s and see their elegant line of new toilet goods.

Sleds' sleds' from 50 cents to \$5, at the 99-cent store.

Funeral Notice.

The eleven months old boy of Joseph Grieb died yesterday afternoon of marial fever. The funeral will take place from the German Catholic church, Monday afternoon at one o'clock. Friends of the family are invited to attend.

Photograph Albums in plush, leather and cloth, cheap, at the 99-cent store. 614244

Dr. Van Norman's Academy.

Dr. and Miss Van Norman's school for ladies (founded 1857) will reopen Oct. 1, at 315 West Fifty-seventh street, New York. Special advantages in music and languages. Reference, Dr. E. V. Van Norman, Springfield, O.

Silver-plated ware of all kinds, from the cheapest to the best grades, at the 99-cent store. 614244

Lawrence Collins, who lives at 47, Farlow street, met with a serious accident, this morning by falling down stairs and sustaining various cuts and bruises including a fracture of the leg, which will confine him to the house for some weeks. Dr. Beale was called to attend him.

Just received, at the 99-cent store, a large lot of plush mirrors, cheap. 604

IT WILL PAY

Men, women and children to call on S. C. Carman & Co., 40 East Main street, before making any purchases for the holidays. A large line of jewelry of every description can always be found at the above number, at bottom prices. 2044

Felt Hats 45 cents.

Barclays in fancy feathers, children's bonnets, velvet, etc. Mrs. J. H. Attergost, 21 N. Market street, between Main and Columbia. 2044

WHO

Ever heard of as grand a display of Furniture as can be seen at the popular furniture store of J. T. McLaughlin, 95 and 97 West Main street, where goods are being marked away down within the reach of all.

Anyone in the need of Poems, send the line at the 99-cent store. 614244

A good Fur Cap for \$1.98 at the 99-cent store. 614244

Visit M. W. Plattenberg's furniture store, 118 West Main street, to satisfy yourself as to styles, quality and prices. He is offering some handsome bargains to reduce stock before removing to the new rooms, next to Blue Flag grocery, January 1. 644

For a neat fitting lady's or gentleman's custom made shoe, go to Joseph Hruza, 31 East High street. Fine work a specialty and a good fit guaranteed. 1997

RAMBLER'S NOTE BOOK.

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hardware store of Hamilton & Co. is at once struck with the way the interior has blossomed out with its holiday trimmings. It has indeed put on quite a gala-day appearance, and the show cases are filled and the shelves loaded with many articles of many kinds suitable for holiday gifts. Among the most ornamental and at the same time practical goods found at Hamilton's are the beautiful articles, in boxes, for place furniture, a most desirable present to a wife or husband. Then, too, there are ornamental household articles of a hundred varieties including elegant table cutlery, and of choice gift may be selected that will combine utility with beauty. Hamilton & Co.'s store presents, perhaps, better than any other in the city an illustration of the practical rather than the purely ornamental as applied to gifts, and yet when one thinks of it, how much better it is to give a gift which may be of value for daily use, rather than something which is of no value except as it may please the eye or pander to the fancy.

I. W. G. STEINER'S.

Beautiful store rooms just now and always a popular center. The day is long since gone by when there was any question as to the choice being headquarters for the first in Springfield. Mr. Guggenheim has enjoyed the reputation ever since he started in business of being a safe man to purchase fine furs of, because he was square and upright in his dealings, and goods bought of him were found afterward to be exactly as represented. He is offering this season some exquisite fur garments, trimmings and caps and presents a line of holiday goods which are prime favorites for Christmas remembrances. He also has a very full and complete line of gent's furnishing wear, including fine and elegant silk handkerchiefs, neck scarfs, etc.

A good understanding is one of the most valuable of human possessions and this may account for the dense crowds which throng show stores in the Arcade. Hard to suit indeed would be the man who would not be delighted with a pair of the holiday slippers which are seen in endless profusion in this popular store. Some of the most beautiful varieties are in velvet and patent leather, with embroideries of every pattern and color. The prices range from 75 cents to \$1.75. "I have never seen trade become so lively," says Steinberger, "as is becoming more and more apparent every year," said Mr. Starkey. "These fine ladies' shoes from \$2 to \$5.50 make nice presents. We have a stock of foot gear of every variety."

V. N. HAYES.

Was found at his cozy new store at 38 Limestone street, "Christmas trade is first-rate," said he. "There are large crowds and liberal buying. Mr. Hoyle has a beautiful line of silk handkerchiefs, neck scarfs, in plush and richly embroidered, plaques and fancy articles. Among other articles, the display of children's hoods, of zephyr and angora wool, go right to the hearts of the ladies, and make beautiful presents for children. The ladies all regard Hoyle's as the headquarters for obtaining materials for embroideries. He has one of the most and most complete lines of chronies, aranes, flosses and other materials in the city. Among other articles, his line of square handkerchiefs, of plush, are exceedingly dainty, and make beautiful presents for fashionable maidens. The wall banners, festive paintings and Kensington embroideries are extremely rich. Among the most useful articles for the ladies are the patterns for embroidery, of which he has a fine variety."

At the great double store of KINNANE, WHELAN & CO.,

On Limestone street, enough people were found thronging every part of the store to make an audience for an opera house. During the Christmas rush there are frequently 500 customers in the store at one time, who are waited on by a small army of clerks. The business of this popular trade is as usual, and during the busy season of Christmas shopping the rush for goods is something wonderful. "Yes, the Christmas trade is very good," said Mr. Kinnane, "and the prices are cheaper than last year than last. People are buying more strictly useful articles for Christmas presents." Among the novelties at Kinnane and Whelan's are a line of sets of toys for children in black and white fur and fox grey, at the astonishingly low price of \$1.25 and \$1.50 per set. These are going like hot cakes for presents for children. A Christmas buyer can find hundreds of suitable presents here for father, mother, sister, brother or friend.

There are novelties in every variety, ranging in price from 25 cents to \$1.50 silk handkerchiefs in all colors of the rainbow, and from 15 cents to \$1.25 each. Thousands of silk handkerchiefs are sold for presents. Ladies' sachels make a very acceptable gift and only cost from 50 cents to \$1.00 each. Mr. Kinnane states that many fine linen table covers and napkins are being sold this year for Christmas presents.

The clock department of the store is large enough for a store by itself and the elegant line of snooker's articles ever seen in this city. The present of a fine snooker pipe or cigar holder, or any article pertaining to the snooker's art goes right to a snooker's heart. A man who has collected a fine snooker pipe never forgets the donor of it. Mr. Carter has a very fine line of tobacco pouches, ornamented with beautiful designs and embroidered in silk. Tobacco boxes of solid silver are also embraced in the stock, and really make elegant presents. "The Christmas trade is booming," said Mr. Carter.

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